

## **FISCAL NOTE**

### **SB 2603 - HB 3077**

January 21, 2008

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires minimum statewide building construction safety standards established and enforced by the State Fire Marshal to apply to one- and two-family dwellings. Under current law such dwellings are exempt from safety standards.

#### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Revenue - \$200,000/Recurring**  
**Increase State Expenditures - \$461,300/One-Time**  
**\$1,977,500/Recurring**

##### Assumptions:

- There are currently 25 counties that have adopted building standards for one and two family dwellings. The state will delegate authority to inspectors in those counties.
- The state will hire inspectors to cover the 70 counties that currently do not have building standards for one- and two-family dwellings.
- A one-time increase in state expenditures for computer equipment (\$59,683), office furnishings (\$8,000) and twenty-five vehicles (\$393,571).
- A recurring increase in state expenditures for the salary and benefits for twenty-five Fire Safety Specialist 1 positions (\$37,248 salary + \$12,795 benefits = \$50,043 x 25 = \$1,251,075), three Facility Construction Specialist 3 positions (\$50,244 salary + \$17,259 benefits = \$67,503 x 3 = \$202,509), one Administrative Secretary (\$29,112 salary + \$10,000 benefits = \$39,112) operational expenses (\$334,466) and the cost of leasing and operating twenty-five vehicles (\$150,321).
- An increase in state revenue from the collection of construction plan review fees. Approximately 1,000 new plan reviews on an annual basis (1,000 x \$200 = \$200,000).
- Once the plan is reviewed and approved, a developer may build multiple houses with the same approved plan. While all houses built with the same plan require only one plan review, each house must be inspected to ensure that building standards are being met.

**CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "J".

James W. White, Executive Director

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